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Spring Hill Parks Advisory Board June 15, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Doug D'Albini called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Doug D'Albini

Tommy Holland Carol Thomas

Board Members Absent: Mark Squire

Staff in Attendance: Jim Hendershot, City Administrator

Dillon Jones, Parks Superintendent

Dora Davison, Administrative Assistant – Public Works

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll of the Parks Advisory Board. With a quorum present, the meeting commenced.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Tommy Holland, seconded by Carol Thomas, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

None

FORMAL BOARD ITEMS

Approval of Minutes: May 18, 2020

Motion by Carol Thomas, seconded by Tommy Holland, to approve the May 18, 2020 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION

- Veterans Park Grand opening is scheduled for July 4th at 10:30 am. There will be a brief presentation with the Mayor and color guard, fire engine on display and refreshments. The Parks Advisory Board will have a booth set up near the display for the memorial and pavilion design boards.
- Mr. Hendershot presented the Parks Advisory Board with the vision given by the Council for the park area located near the Woodland Ridge Subdivision. This area would be a dedicated space

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for memorializing outstanding residents. The space would include benches, walking trail and possible pavilion or gazebo. The Council would like the Parks Advisory Board to develop this vision further along with criteria and application process.

Carol Thomas recommended this be a space not only for memorial but for recognizing any exceptional citizen.

Possible options for recognition discussed include benches, trees, bricks, or engraved names on a plaque. It was recommended the nominating party fund the item used for recognition. Tommy Holland suggested additional information regarding the honoree be placed on the City's Website. People visiting the memorial area would be able to see the impact of the persons contribution more fully.

Mr. Hendershot requested the board continue criteria and vision discussions at the July meeting and make a recommendation to the City Council when ready.

Contain the Rain is a Johnson County program encourages individual homeowners to make
improvements on their properties to improve stormwater quality. This program provides
reimbursement of 50% of qualifying costs. While the reimbursement would come from monies
allocated from Johnson County the program would be managed by City staff. Criteria for the
program can be adjusted by the City however it must meet the minimum criteria from Johnson
County.

Miami County does not currently offer a similar program. Staff is exploring options for funding the Miami County area of Spring Hill.

The Board will discuss program details and criteria in July. The Board will then make a recommendation to the City Council.

STAFF REPORT

- Parks staff has applied a broadleaf herbicide to the area around the ponds near the Woodland Ridge Subdivision. Grading has commenced at time allows. In July they hope to focus more attention on this project. Completion is expected by fall 2020.
- Spring Hill Aquatic Center has been officially closed for the 2020 season due to COVID 19. Maintenance staff will continue to work on the facility during this time. Three design options have been provided to the City Council for replacement of the Family Slide. Staff is currently exploring new methods to make the slide functional.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURN

Motion by Tommy Holland, seconded by Carol Thomas, to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

<u>Dora Davisou</u> Dora Davison, Secretary

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